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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Appl. No. 10/550,518; § 371 Date: September 23, 2005

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For: Packaging of Immunostimulatory Oligonucleotides Into Virus-Like

Particles: Method of Preparation and Use

Inventors: Martin F. BACHMANN et al.

Our Ref: 1700.0630000/BJD/WBC

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Reply to Restriction Requirement with Election of Species;
- Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) with two (2) copies of Assignment: executed by (A) Martin F. BACHMANN, Andreas CORNELIUS, Vania MANOLOVA, Patrik MAURER, Karl G. PROBA and Katrin SCHWARZ; and (B) executed by Edwin MEIJERINK;
- 3. Power of Attorney from Assignee; and
- 4. One (1) return postcard.

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